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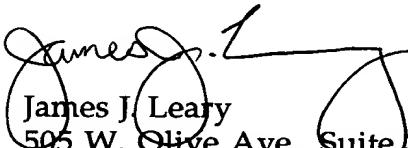
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Title: **VALVED CONNECTOR WITH CLOSURE OPERATED BY AXIAL
MOVEMENT OF THE VALVE**

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- Specification, Claims and Abstract: 16 pages
- Declaration
- Small Entity Declaration
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